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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to permit the Congress to limit contributions and expenditures in elections for Federal office.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LANTOS submitted the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-*
3 *thirds of each house concurring therein),* That the following
4 article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution
5 of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents
6 and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by
7 the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States with-
8 in seven years from the date of its submission by the Con-
9 gress:

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “SECTION 1. The Congress shall have the power to
3 set limits on expenditures made by, in support of, or in
4 opposition to the nomination or election of any person to
5 Federal office.

6 “SECTION 2. The Congress shall have the power to
7 set limits on contributions by individuals or entities by,
8 in support of, or in opposition to the nomination or elec-
9 tion of any person to Federal office.

10 “SECTION 3. The Congress shall have the power to
11 enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this
12 article.”.

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